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More Care for Gaynor.

"It was necessary to exercise more diplomacy with Judge Gaynor than had been called into play against the others, however. He stood for Reform first, last and all the time, and had great strength. It would not do to approach him as a party to a deal, and so it was decided to pretend to offer him the nomination and at the same time make it impossible of an honorable acceptance by innuendo attacks upon his private life emanating from among the delegates to the very Convention that seemed anxious to have him accept.

"Judge Gaynor's manly retort upon such methods was made in a letter given out Tuesday night, in which there appeared this indication that Judge Gaynor understood the purpose of his enemies, and seemed to strike at Hill:

The Judge's Advice.

"Do not nominate any one only because his station as a private citizen is high or because powerful people or powerful combinations are at his back, nor yet simply because he has held political office, however high, for I say to you that it is of more consequence what your candidate has done and is capable of doing for the people than what the people have in the past done for him.

"I would change my mind and gladly try to obey the voice of the people this Fall, but after the disposition betrayed towards me by some of your fellow-delegates I cannot.

"Then the farce of sending J. Sergeant Chan to meet Mr. Whitney and ask him to accept was gone through with, and the other candidates were all eliminated except Senator Hill's mask—John Boyd Thacher. He was reserved for the last.

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"Then a strong effort was made to strengthen the mask. Perry Belmont was solicited to allow the use of his name for second place on the 'eleventh-hour slate.' Then came a complication the leaders hadn't counted on.

"Why not first place? asked Belmont.

"Because that is promised to Thacher."

"Naturally Mr. Belmont grew indignant. Thacher, indeed! Wasn't he a better man than Thacher, and did they think for a moment that he couldn't get a bigger vote than the ex-Mayor of Albany? Bosh!

"And so Belmont declared himself out of it in a huff.

"Then Charles P. McClelland, of Westchester County, was approached, and not being in the secret he consented. Then the 'slate' that was put up to be amended was amended by the addition of the name of Judge Robert T. Titus, of Buffalo, for Court of Appeals Judge.

"The leaders then entered the Convention, the 'slate' carried very carefully in the van, lest it should fall to pieces of its own weight before the time agreed upon.

Letting Out the Secret.

"While Mr. Hill was pronouncing the benediction, according to programme, upon Mr. Hill's mask, the machine agents were letting some of the 'boys' in the secret, and telling them that Hill was to be surprised by a statement for him that would compel him to accept.

"So willing were the 'boys' that they could hardly contain themselves until Thacher's 'obituary' had been finished. They whooped and sang up, with what result all of us know.

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Col. Murphy's Opinion.

"A little different view taken by Col. Michael C. Murphy, Excise Commissioner, and a man who stands very high in the councils of Tammany Hall. He was enthusiastic to-day in speaking of the action of the Saratoga Convention yesterday. He said:

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A story was current to-day that Tammany might compromise with the State Democracy by giving them a certain number of Congressmen, Assemblymen and Aldermen in return for their support of the Tammany nominees for Mayor.

This, however, is merely gossip, as Tammany is not likely to recognize the State Democracy here after having refused to do so at Saratoga.

The 'reformers' of the 'Evening World' were informed before the Convention that Tammany would not accept a statement to Hill as evidence of his nomination.

Once started, nothing could stop the Hill enthusiasts. The fact that Senator Hill swore at his friends for forcing him against his will, would make it seem that he was not a secret if it was all planned beforehand.

Old politicians who have been going to conventions for a century and more, only remember one similar scene to that of yesterday. That was at the Democratic Convention in 1878 when Lucius Robinson was named for Governor, and an attempt was made to stampede the delegates for the late Senator Jacobs, of Brooklyn.

GAYNOR IS WAITING.

Not Yet Ready to Say Whether or Not He Will Accept.

(Special to The Evening World.)

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CARLISLE WON'T TALK.

But Is Said to Regard the New York Ticket as Strong.

(By Associated Press.)

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SHIRTMAKERS JUBILANT.

They Predict Victory Before the End of This Week.

The tailoring shirtmakers are jubilant to-day over the prospect of victory before the close of the present week.

A member of the Executive Committee reports that fifteen contractors have accepted the new scale of prices, and 40 hands returned to work this morning.

Members of the Contractors' Association, who manufacture the cheaper grades of shirts, have been furnished with the new price-lists.

The committee, via Lowry & Son, 47 Broadway, to-day for the purpose of informing them of the union prices and asking the settlement of the strike of this shop is expected.

There is also a prospect of a settlement of the strike at Heller's shop, 39 and 302 Monroe street, where 150 hands were employed, nearly all of whom are out.

A despatch from Carmel, Pa., states that the union hands there refused to work for the contractor, who was a contractor.

A meeting of the strikers will be held in Waltham Hall this afternoon.

HOYT ON THE STAND.

He Testifies Against Ex-Cashier W. P. Wentworth.

The trial of William P. Wentworth, ex-cashier of the Victoria Hotel, charged with embezzling about \$5,000 while acting in that capacity, was begun in earnest this morning before Judge Martine in Part II, Court of General Sessions.

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